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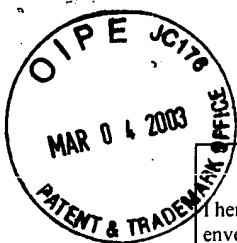
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449a is being brought to the attention of the Examiner for consideration in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. The Examiner is requested to make these documents of record.

**I. Timing of the Information Disclosure Statement:**

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed:

- ☐ With the new patent application submitted herewith (37 C.F.R. § 1.97(a)).
- ☐ Within three months after the filing date of the application or within three months after the date of entry of the national stage of a PCT application as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491.
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- ☐ After the first Office Action and more than three months after the application's filing date; or PCT national stage date of entry filing but, as far as is known to the undersigned, prior to the mailing date of either a final rejection or a notice of allowance, whichever occurs first, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. [ ] for the fee (\$180) set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p) and any additional required fees.

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## II. Copies of the Cited Items:

- ☒ Copies of all of the items listed on the attached Forms PTO-1449 are enclosed.
- ☐ Copies of only the following items listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 are enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Copies of the items listed in the attached Forms PTO-1449a and b are not supplied because they were previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in a prior Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_ and relied upon in this application for an earlier filing date under 35 U.S.C § 120. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(d).

- ☐ Copies of those items which are marked with an asterisk (\*\*) in the attached Form PTO-1499 were cited in a foreign examination report in a related case. A copy of the search report and the cited references not already of record in this application are attached hereto.

**III. Concise Explanation of Relevance:**

- ☒ A concise explanation of relevance of the items listed on Form PTO-1449 is not given.
- ☐ A concise explanation of relevance of [some of] the items listed on Form PTO-1449 is in the form of an English language copy of a Search Report from a foreign patent office, issued in a counterpart application, which refers to the relevant portions of the references (copy attached).

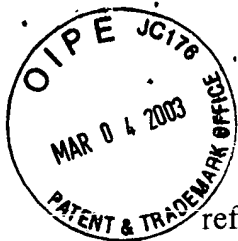
**IV. Related Applications:**

- ☐ Applicants bring to the Office's attention the following related, co-pending application(s):

**V. Conclusion:**

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner indicate consideration of the cited references by returning a copy of the attached form PTO 1449 with initials or other appropriate marks. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2518, billing reference number: 19535-7076 for any additional fees required in connection with the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Respectfully submitted,

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